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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO GOR REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN HOSTAGE
REMAINS RECOVERY

REF: MOSCOW 7066

Classified By: Charge d'Affaires David M. Satterfield for Reasons 1.4 (a), (b), and (d).

[1](#)1. (S) Per reftel, the Mission will work closely with the GOR and GOI to coordinate efforts to recover the Russian Embassy staff members' remains and assist in apprehending those responsible for their murders.

[1](#)2. (S) At this time, the location of any remains is unknown. Post recognizes the importance of this request and will support the efforts of the GOR and GOI as much as possible. However, per policy, priority is given to efforts to secure the release of live hostages.
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